THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Information on windmills in Delhi has been included in a brochure on new and renewable sources of energy, brought out by the Delhi Energy Development Agency.

(c) and (d) A Handbook on "Wind Energy Data for India" was published under a project sponsored by the Department of Non-Conventional Energy Sources which gives a broad indication of the windy locations in the country. Wind survey projects have also been taken up subsequently in 16 States/ Union Territories of the country to provide more detailed information.

Execution of Power Projects with joint Assistance

4517. SHRI SHANKARRAO NARAYANRAO DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) what are the names of the power projects which are at present being executed with joint assistance from foreign Governments and consortia;

(b) what are the names of the power projects for which additional assistance has been sought for under similar arrangements; and

(c) whether a foreign Government/consortium extending assistance can nominate/select a particular power project and if not, what is the policy in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Optical fibre cable systems for Delhi and Bombay Telephones

4518. SHRI SHANKARRAO NARAYANRAO DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had floated a Global Tender No. 15-3/86-MMD(opened on 6.10.87) under World Bank loan for the supply of Optical Fibre Cable System to the Delhi and Bombay Telecommunications organisations;

(b) if so, whether Government have been forced under the Japanese aid-giving organisations advice to place the entire order last month to NEC of Japan as a package deal and thereby incur considerable extra expense of at least Rs. 3 crores in foreign exchange;

(c) whether Government are aware that NEC has paid a substantial sum as consultancy fee in foreign exchange to a non-descript Indian firm which is supposed to have advise! NEC on the modus-operandi of winning this valuable contract; and

(d) whether Government propose to instruct NEC to reduce the cost of the package deal?